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MEDICAID MEMO

TO: All Non-Emergency Transportation Providers participating in

the Virginia Medical Assistance Program, Managed Care Organizations providing services to Virginia Medicaid recipients, and all holders of the *Transportation* provider

manual

FROM: Eric S. Bell, Director

Department of Medical Assistance Services

SUBJECT: Non-Emergency Transportation Services Beginning July 2, 2001

MEMO Special
DATE 6-1-01

The purpose of this memorandum is to inform you of changes to the provision of non-emergency transportation beginning July 2, 2001. Your enrollment with the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) as a non-emergency transportation provider will end as of July 1, 2001. You may bill DMAS for services provided prior to July 2, 2001. DMAS would like to express our appreciation and to thank you for the services you have provided to the recipients of the Virginia Medicaid Program under your direct agreement with DMAS.

Beginning July 2, 2001, DMAS will utilize brokered transportation services. **DynCorp** will coordinate all non-emergency transportation for Medicaid recipients residing in **Regions 2, 3, 4, and 7** (see attached region description). DynCorp's toll-free number for use by providers is 1-866-396-8221. **LogistiCare** will coordinate all non-emergency transportation needs for recipients residing in **Regions 1, 5, and 6** (see attached region description). LogistiCare's toll-free number for providers is 1-866-608-8791.

As a non-emergency transportation provider, you should not provide transportation services after July 1, 2001, to Medicaid recipients unless you first sign a contract with the transportation broker in your region. If you have not done so already, please contact the broker agency that serves your area if you are interested in continuing to provide transportation to Medicaid recipients.

These agencies will coordinate <u>all non-emergency Medicaid transportation</u> whether it is for public mass transit, taxicab, wheelchair van, non-emergency ambulance, or volunteer driver services. This is for all Medicaid recipients with transportation coverage under MEDALLION and regular Medicaid. <u>ALL</u> non-emergency transportation requests must be coordinated by these agencies as of **July 2, 2001**. These agencies will confirm Medicaid eligibility and transportation need. They will also schedule and assign the trip using the most appropriate transportation provider. Medicaid recipients can no longer contact you directly for Medicaid transportation.

DMAS will send a separate notice to Medicaid recipients, Managed Care Organizations (MCOs), and providers serving Medicaid recipients in these regions informing them about the role of **DynCorp** and **LogistiCare**. The brokers will publicize their <u>recipient reservation numbers</u> in advance of the contract start date.

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Medicaid transportation coverage remains unchanged except that the recipient no longer has the choice of non-emergency transportation providers. Transportation is only provided when the recipient has no other appropriate transportation available such as a personal car and will only be provided to the nearest enrolled Medicaid provider of care. Efforts will also be made to coordinate transportation to common destinations such as a doctor's office.

MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATIONS

Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) currently serve recipients residing in 55 localities of the State. DMAS intends to expand MCO coverage to an additional 50 localities this fall. Recipients covered by MCOs are not affected by the brokered services above.

CHILDREN'S MEDICAL SECURITY INSURANCE PROGRAM (CMSIP)

Children enrolled in the Children's Medical Security Insurance Program (CMSIP) who do not currently have MCO coverage, are included under the non-emergency transportation brokerage services.

OUTSTANDING CLAIMS

Providers are asked to submit all outstanding non-emergency transportation claims for dates of service up to and including July 1, 2001, within 90 days, or by October 2, 2001. Any claims for non-emergency transport services provided after July 2, 2001, will not be paid by DMAS.

COPIES OF MEDICAID MEMORANDA AND PROVIDER MANUALS

DMAS publishes searchable and printable copies of its provider manuals and Medicaid memoranda on the Internet. Please visit the DMAS website at http://www.cns.state.va.us/dmas/. Refer to the Provider Column to find Medicaid and SLH provider manuals or click on "Medicaid Memos to Providers" to see Medicaid memoranda. The Internet is the fastest way to receive provider information.

"HELPLINE"

The "HELPLINE" is available Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except State holidays, to answer questions. The "HELPLINE" numbers are:

786-6273 Richmond area 1-800-552-8627 All other areas

Please remember that the "HELPLINE" is for provider use only.

Attachment

Transportation Regions and Brokers

- **Region 1-** Bland, Bristol, Buchanan, Carroll, Dickenson, Galax, Grayson, Lee, Norton, Russell, Scott, Smyth, Tazewell, Washington, Wise, Wythe. **Broker** is LogistiCare.
- **Region 2-** Alleghany, Amherst, Appomattox, Bedford City, Bedford County, Botetourt, Campbell, Charlotte, Clifton Forge, Covington, Craig, Danville, Floyd, Franklin County, Giles, Halifax, Henry, Lynchburg, Martinsville, Montgomery, Patrick, Pittsylvania, Pulaski, Radford, Roanoke City, Roanoke County, Salem, South Boston. **Broker** is DynCorp.
- **Region 3-** Amelia, Brunswick, Buckingham, Charles City, Chesterfield, Colonial Heights, Cumberland, Dinwiddie, Emporia, Goochland, Greensville, Hanover, Henrico, Hopewell, Lunenburg, Mecklenburg, New Kent, Nottoway, Petersburg, Powhatan, Prince Edward, Prince George, Richmond City, Surry, Sussex. **Broker** is DynCorp.
- **Region 4-** Accomack, Chesapeake, Essex, Franklin City, Gloucester, Hampton, Isle of Wight, James City County, King and Queen, King William, Lancaster, Mathews, Middlesex, Newport News, Norfolk, Northampton, Northumberland, Poquoson, Portsmouth, Richmond County, Southampton, Suffolk, Virginia Beach, Westmoreland, Williamsburg, York. **Broker** is DynCorp.
- **Region 5-** Albemarle, Caroline, Charlottesville, Culpeper, Fauquier, Fluvanna, Fredericksburg, Greene, King George, Louisa, Madison, Nelson, Orange, Rappahannock, Spotsylvania, Stafford. **Broker** is LogistiCare.
- **Region 6-** Augusta, Bath, Buena Vista, Clarke, Frederick, Harrisonburg, Highland, Lexington, Page, Rockbridge, Rockingham, Shenandoah, Staunton, Warren, Waynesboro, Winchester. **Broker** is LogistiCare.
- **Region 7-** Alexandria, Arlington, Falls Church, Fairfax City, Fairfax County, Loudoun, Manassas City, Manassas Park, Prince William. **Broker** is DynCorp.